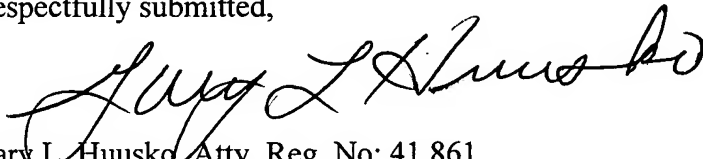


Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner's requirement to elect species is reconsidered and withdrawn, that the amendments listed above be entered in the above-identified application, and that, provisionally and in the alternative, applicant elects Species II: Figures 4, 5, 6, if the Examiner's requirement for election of species is not withdrawn and applicant's traverse is not accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary L. Huusko". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a stylized "H".

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